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Stockholm, Nov. 22.

FRom *Schonen* we have an account that the 15th instant the King gave Audience to a Moscovite Ambassador at *Carelshaven*, and that from thence his Majesty was going to see a new Haven, lying between that place and *Calmar*, which, being easy to be fortified, very commodious for Building of Ships (by reason of the great quantity of Oak growing thereabouts) capable to Harbour a very great Fleet, much easier of access then *Stockholm*, and nearer to the Provinces on both sides of the *Baltick*, is intended to be, for the future, the station of the Kings ships. There have been very great Storms in these Seas, and several Suedish Vessels have been lost, amongst which it's said is that which carried Major General *Grotehuysen* to his designed Government of *Wismar*, but the greatest loss is that of several Vessels carrying over Soldiers for *Pomeren*, which were cast away on the Isle of *Bornholme*, above 700 Soldiers perishing.

Lisbon, Nov. 28. The 22 instant the *Cortes* met in the great Hall of the Palace, which was very richly adorned. About two in the Afternoon the Prince, in his ordinary dress, as were all the Nobility, attended by 6 Mace-bearers, 7 Heralds, and the Officers of his House, entred the Hall, and being sate on his Throne, the Bishop of *O-Porto* made a long Oration in Praise of his Highness, and of the Choice he had made for the Infanta, and recommended to the three Estates the Dispencing with the Laws of *Lanego* about Marrying with a Stranger, and the supplying his Highness with Money for the defraying the Charges of this Marriage. Then spake one of the Procurators for this City, a Lawyer, in behalf of the Commons, extolling the Prince and his Government, as also the Duke of *Savoy* and his Family, and ended with the offer of themselves and their Estates to the Service of his Highness. This done, a Herald called the Nobility to do Homage to the Prince, and after them the Commons, and lastly the Bishops. Then the Herrauld appointing to each of the three Estates a several place of meeting, *viz.* at three several Convents, and directed them to begin their meetings the next day, the Prince arose and returned to his own Appartment with the same attendance that he came with. The next day the three Estates met apart, and the Marquis *de Govea* one of the Procurators for this City made a long and eloquent Oration to the Commons, of whom a great many are of the Nobility, upon the occasion of their meeting, which was so well liked that 'tis not doubted but they will grant whatever the Prince shall desire of them, though there are like to be some difficulties in the manner of raising money. What Sum will be demanded is not yet made known.

Genoua, Dec. 13. The 9th Instant the 8 French Galleys, commanded by the Chevallier de *Nouailes*, returned hither from *Legborn*, and upon the Senates refusing a second time to permit them to Winter in their Arsenal, they sailed again the 11th homeward. The 10th at night sailed hence two Dutch Men of War with four English Merchant Ships, the *Laurel*, *Mary-Rose*, *Primrose*, and *Delight*, homeward bound.

Prague, Dec. 9. The Plague is quite ceased at *Vienna*, and the Churches opened, but we are here still under some apprehensions of it; for yesterday it broke out in a house far distant from those that were formerly shut up. The Marriage between the Dauphin and the Princess of *Bavaria* is concluded, as it's hoped that will be ere long between the Elector and the Emperors Daughter.

Marienzal in *Franconie, Dec.* 12. The great Master of the Tutonick Order, at present Viceroy of *Hungary*, having convoked a general Chapter to be held here, and those that have voices there being arrived, the third instant was performed the Ceremony of introducing Prince *Louis Anthony* of *Newburg*, third Son to the Duke of *Newburg*, into that Order. The Ceremony whereof was thus; The Chapter being met in the great Church, the said Prince was conducted thither, where Count *d' Ottingen* and Count *Fagger* having declared upon Oath that they had examined the Princes Arms and found them what they ought to be, the said Prince took the Oaths of Poverty, of Chastity, and to go to the War against the Infidels when there is occasion; and then the Grand Master put on him the Habit, which is a white Cloak with a black Cros, saying these words, *We promise to give you, as long as you live, Water, Bread, and a Habit.* After the Ceremony was ended the Prince and all the Knights were treated at Dinner by the Great Master. The next day another Chapter was called, where the said Prince was chosen Coadjutor to the Great Master, who, by virtue of this Dignity, enjoys a yearly Revenue of 200000 Florins, in *Germany*, has great pretentions on the Princes of *Italy*, who have taken away several Lands belonging to that Order, and takes place in the Dyet next to the Electors.

Hamburgh, Dec. 22. The French are raising a Regiment of Foot here, and another as we are informed, at *Francfort*; they have hired all the Vessels in this River and the *Weser*, which used, at the time of the Vintage to go, only with Ballast, for *France*, and to return laden with Wines, on which they will transport great quantities of Oats and other Corn (which they are therefore buying up in these parts) to *Calais*, *Dunkirk*, and other places on that Coast. The Duke of *Zell* has ordered some Troops to march in order to dislodge those of the Elector of *Brandenburg*, which are now quartered in the Country of *Mecklenburg*, but it's hoped that matter will be composed by the Dutch Minister the Sieur *d' Amerongen*, who labours in it.

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